

105TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 3140

To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide that certain muzzle loading firearms are to be treated as antique firearms for purposes of the Federal firearms laws.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 3, 1998

Mr. BOSWELL (for himself and Mr. CUNNINGHAM) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CERTAIN MUZZLE LOADING FIREARMS TO BE**
4 **TREATED AS ANTIQUE FIREARMS.**

5 Section 921(a)(16) of title 18, United States Code,
6 is amended—

7 (1) by striking “and” at the end of subpara-
8 graph (A);

1 (2) by striking the period at the end of sub-
2 paragraph (B) and inserting “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) any firearm in which black powder (or a
5 black powder substitute) and a projectile are loaded
6 through the muzzle, and the powder (or such sub-
7 stitute) is ignited by a matchlock, wheelock, flint-
8 lock, percussion cap, any type of primer, or other
9 type of percussion-activated ignition system to expel
10 the projectile, and which does not use fully assem-
11 bled or fixed, rimfire or conventional centerfire am-
12 munition.”.

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